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EXPERIENCED HELP IS INDEED SCARCE

Farmers Are Unable to Secure Labor Locally.

R. W. Pearce, farm labor specialist for the United States Department of Agriculture, with headquarters at the office of the committee of food supply of the State Council of Defense, arrived in Hartford Friday morning with four farm laborers. These laborers were obtained in New York City by Mr. Pearce in response to requests made by farmers who were unable to obtain labor locally and asked him to act for them in securing the necessary help.

"The supply of experienced farm labor is scarce," said Mr. Pearce. "This is especially true of men willing to do milking and other dairy work. I talked with 150 men who wanted work but only four were sufficiently experienced to come up to the standard set by the farmers. Of the 150 men, about one-half were strong, conscientious, apparently reliable men, anxious to do farm work, but who had not had sufficient experience to qualify as experienced farm laborers."

Hazleton, Pa., following the example of other ambitious small cities, has established a "Great White Way." Sixty-four standards, each carrying a 400 candle-power Mazda lamp were used in electrifying the main thoroughfare.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

GROTON SHOOTING CASE A BAFFLING ONE.

Coroner Brown Is Still at Work on Meager Clues.

The identity of the man who shot Mrs. Arthur Holloway at her home in Groton Monday night is still a mystery. The authorities have been baffled in every effort thus far to solve the mystery of the shooting.

Prosecuting Attorney Warren R. Burrows and Coroner Franklin Brown are still working on clues furnished them by members of the Holloway family, that either of two men might have been responsible for the shooting. The more they delve into the circumstances the more they are convinced that the shooting was the work of an outsider.

There is a slight improvement in the condition of Mrs. Holloway. It was stated at the Lawrence hospital that she was a little stronger and that there was evidence of improvement giving some encouragement of her recovery.

King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, accompanied by M. Radoslawoff, the Bulgarian Prime Minister, is expected shortly in Vienna on a visit to the Emperor Charles.

NOTICE

The RICHMOND LACE WORKS, Alton, Rhode Island, will start operation on an "OPEN SHOP" basis on Monday, July 2nd, 1917

Any person wishing employment may apply at the office. Three year contracts will be offered to a few competent lace makers, guaranteeing a minimum rate of wages. The full rate of wages paid by this company heretofore, together with the advances already offered, will be maintained.

RICHMOND LACE WORKS

Don't You Want Good Teeth?

Does the dread of the dental chair cause you to neglect them? You need have no fears. By our method you can have your teeth filled, crowned or extracted ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT PAIN.

CONSIDER THESE OTHER FEATURES

STRICTLY SANITARY OFFICE
STERILIZED INSTRUMENTS
CLEAN LINEN
ASEPTIC DRINKING CUPS
LOWEST PRICES CONSISTENT WITH BEST WORK

If these appeal to you, call for examination and estimate. No charge for consultation.

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BLIGHT ON CIT'S GOOD NAME

Closing Down of H. & A. Plant a Grave Blow to Norwich's General Prosperity—Special Committee Appointed to Investigate and Report Back to Chamber of Commerce—New Membership Committee Appointed by President James.

I wish to call your attention to the serious industrial condition that confronts us, the closing of the H. & A. Arms company's plant, and the incidental unemployment appointments, throwing out of employment some two thousand operatives, many of whom are skilled mechanics, said Herbert R. Branch, secretary of the Norwich Chamber of Commerce, in his second quarterly report to the directors of the chamber at their meeting in the directors' room in the Chamber of Commerce building Friday evening. "I feel that this is more than a private or corporate concern and is a matter that affects and interests the entire community, affecting as it will commercial and civic interests, casting a blight upon the good name of our city, he continued. I believe it to be of such far-reaching importance to our prosperity and well being as to warrant this organization appointing a special committee to look into the whole matter with a view of ascertaining all the facts for the benefit and protection of our members and the community in general.

The Committee Appointed. Mr. Branch's recommendation was unanimously supported by the directors and President Charles V. James, who presided at the meeting, appointed as this committee Wallace S. Allen, Martin E. Jensen and Joseph T. Fanning. They will report back to the directors the result of their investigation.

A new membership committee was also appointed by President James. It comprises Fred G. Prothero, James C. Mara, Rutherford C. Plant, A. Chester Brown, Louis J. Brubaker, J. A. Desmond, Otto E. Ernst, Charles S. Eaton, Alexander Finlayson, Arthur Jenkins and G. Curtis Hull. This committee has been ratified by the board.

Donations and Advertising. The following agreement with regard to donations, subscriptions and advertising was adopted by the directors:

We, the undersigned, merchants, business men, professional men and others, believing it to be the best interests of all concerned, agree with ourselves and the Chamber of Commerce of Norwich, Conn., Inc., that until we give notice in writing to the latter association, we will bind and govern ourselves by the following considerations in placing our advertising, giving subscriptions or making donations:

We recognize that there are some worthy charities and other organizations deserving of the support of the community. To such we give each of us give, donate or subscribe according to our individual judgment, but in order to distinguish between worthy objects and proper advertising mediums and those that are not deserving, we feel that they should each one be separately investigated and that the purpose constitute the endorsement committee of the Chamber of Commerce of Norwich, Conn., Inc., our agent, and agree not to subscribe, give, donate or make donations to charitable organizations, societies, associations, fairs, bails, or other organizations, unless they are first investigated and presented a proper endorsement from the Chamber of Commerce of Norwich, Conn., Inc., as to objects and methods, provided, however, that this agreement does not prevent any subscriber from contributing individually to any society, church or organization of which he is a member. We make exception to the following, which we consider proper and valuable advertising mediums: Norwich City Directory, street car service, street billboards, city or county newspapers published daily or weekly, and theatre programs or other entertainment notices printed at least nine months in advance, and the Academy Journal.

The Treasurer's Report. The report of the treasurer was presented, read and accepted.

The treasurer's report follows: Receipts—Dues paid to treasurer, \$2,864.50; Norwich Chamber of Commerce, \$173.41; from banquet committee, \$48.9; Registration day committee, \$55.00; from garden committee for expenses, \$75; total, \$3,826.91. Expenditures—Home gardens committee, \$100; Registration day bills, \$35; banquets, lunches, membership campaign, arrange meetings, etc., \$687.13; furniture, signs and supplies, \$22.25; salaries, \$711; \$191; petty cash, \$208.56; electric light, \$7.44; telephones, \$33.59; insurance, \$11.90; dues to state organization, \$75; dues to national organization, \$20; dues to stationery, \$145.15; organization expense, \$18.75; vocational school committee, \$67.21; total, \$3,270.66.

Deposits—Thames National bank, \$225.95; Chelsea Savings bank, \$500; balance, \$725.95.

Secretary's Quarterly Report. Secretary Branch's second quarterly report, which was accepted unanimously by the directors, follows in full:

It has seemed advisable by the executive committee and your secretary that quarterly reports should be rendered the organization dealing with things accomplished, things under way and things planned for the benefit of Norwich and its people.

The Norwich chamber has been in existence six months. The motive prompting men who pleaded for the new organization, it is being assumed, was the desire to have in Norwich a representative organization which should work for the advancement of the city along a variety of lines, seeking always to benefit the many as well as the individual, in which the work was to be efficient, modern chamber of commerce similar in organization and effectiveness to like organizations that have been successful in many other cities.

With this aim in mind, the bureau system was adopted, where it was deemed expedient, together with the committee form of handling certain matters that it was thought could best be handled through such sources.

The following condensed report will show that an honest effort has been made on the part of those who as directors and members of committees have been entrusted with the task of planning and executing the varied activities of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Mohagan Trail.

The one big, outstanding community achievement, an achievement of far wider and greater scope than that of a community, was the opening of the Mohagan trail, because it has done with the linking up and cementing the chambers of commerce of eastern Connecticut, an accomplishment which reflects credit upon all who have made it a success. The marking, mapping and having this important north and south trunk highway accepted as a division of the National Highways association and the future prospect of having the automobile Blue Book give proper recognition to the same is an example of what co-operation will accomplish plus hard work. It will long remain in the minds of

those of our public and philanthropic organizations as an evidence of the enterprise and an inspiration for future courage to assume still greater responsibilities. As an educational and instructive feature it is impossible for it to be measured with any degree of accuracy. As an advertisement to other cities and towns of Connecticut of the resources of Norwich and the civic pride of the people it was most effective. A people who can point to such a successful proposition can find ample encouragement to undertake any great community movement and the benefit of this lesson will be in evidence time and again during the years of continuing constructive effort that stretch before us.

Consistent with Governor Holcomb's proclamation food supply and the plan of the Chamber of Commerce of Commerce to execute a movement for co-operation with the State Agricultural college to increase the food production of Connecticut, the Chamber of Commerce undertook the organization and financing of what was termed the home garden movement in Norwich. A report at least once a week to the directors of the Chamber of Commerce will be given in detail under the proper heading of this report.

Three Bureaus Formed.

During the past quarter three bureaus have been formed as follows: Manufacturers' retail merchants' and educational. The manufacturers' bureau has been active along many lines for which the bureau was formed. While the by-laws covering bureaus specifically state that they shall render a report at least once a week to the directors of the Chamber of Commerce, I feel that it is incumbent upon me to call attention to one special line of activity undertaken by the manufacturers' bureau since its formation, and that is the publishing of an advertisement in a combination of New England newspapers with regard to the labor situation in Norwich. From this advertisement responses from over 500 people were received by the secretary and over 100 people have been referred to those who answered this advertisement.

The retail merchants' bureau perhaps have been the more active in having special sale days, one of the more successful perhaps being that known as Dollar day, when special inducements were offered to the public in the suburban sections of eastern Connecticut to trade in Norwich. This together with Merchants' week sort of focuses the trading public on the advantages to be gained in shopping at home and also assists materially in the upbuilding of Norwich as the eastern Connecticut commercial center.

The educational bureau is still in embryonic stage. Because of the lateness of the season it was deemed advisable to simply hold a temporary organization until the assembling of those interested in the line of activities at the beginning of the new school year.

Standing Committee.

The various standing committees, namely, the civic, new industries, transportation, have found much to engage their attention the past quarter. Especially has the civic committee been active in all such matters that have to do with the advancement of the city's interests along civic lines. A tabulation of such activities will be found under its proper head. The new industries committee has been in touch with several large industries and some smaller ones with a view of interesting the same in the advantages offered by Norwich as an industrial location. Such as seems best to mention will be found grouped under its appropriate head in another section of this report.

The transportation committee has been most active, having taken certain matters before the public utilities commission, all of which will be mentioned under special heading.

The membership committee during the past three months have held several meetings and canvassed prospective members with much diligence, with the results that 22 applications have been received during the quarter. We feel that much credit is due to the chairman, L. M. Crandall, and to every member of his committee for their cooperation in helping to build up, through their efforts, a greater membership.

Accomplished in Whole or in Part.

1. Militia from New Britain arrived April 5th. Meeting with the mayor arranged by the secretary. Maps procured and territory to be guarded made plain.

2. Arrangements made whereby the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad company's telegraph operator will receive messages between the hours of 9 p. m. and 8 a. m., also incoming messages of measures of importance will be received with the understanding that addressee is to be charged with any expense incurred in delivery of the message.

3. Held successful Registration day celebration June 5th. Parade, band concert, speaking. Speakers: Mayor Brown, Major Fox and Senator J. H. Barnes.

Activities Under Way.

1. Prevocational education. The April open meeting the chamber (as was the March meeting) was devoted to the subject of advancing and modernizing our town school system along prevocational lines. The special committee appointed by the chairman, Rev. Joseph H. Selden, Robert McNeely, Frank H. Smith, to study industrial conditions in Norwich with a view of having established here a school suitable to the educational needs of the town, had completed their study of the question and made a most thorough and comprehensive report, embodying such recommendations as in their judgment would best be suited to the needs of Norwich. The report called for the immediate reorganization of the work of the seventh and eighth grades upon a distinctively prevocational basis. The report further stated that it had come to the knowledge of the committee that the congestion in our public schools will make necessary the erection of a new building in the immediate future and further such a building centrally located, if possible on the line of the street railroad, would bring together the boys and girls from 12 to 15 years of age and would afford them wider opportunities of education than are possible under the present system. The report of the committee was unanimously accepted and the recommendations adopted by the chamber and the committee continued. The April meeting was for the purpose of having the town school board outline their recommendations. The topic for the meeting being

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The porteous & Mitchell Co.

FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY OUTING

TODAY we will make special displays of all lines which will naturally be in demand for the Fourth of July Outing. This will include Men's, Women's and Children's Apparel, Dress Accessories and the innumerable small articles that will be needed whether you go visiting or stay at home. In addition to the advantages of our regular low prices there are many items of unusual interest from every department in the store.

THEN make it a point to visit the store to day and take advantage of the many special values that we are offering in every section of the store.

Women's Waists 39c Each, 3 for \$1.00

THIS is one of those remarkable offerings that demonstrates our superior buying facilities. It involves a purchase of 1,200 Women's Waists from a manufacturer that wanted to turn them into cash.

They are principally high neck and button-back models. The materials are white embroidered voiles with pretty collar and cuffs, some with dainty frills, including a fair representation of practical Black Waists. They are all Waists that were made to sell at \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.98—beginning today we will offer them at

39c Each, 3 for \$1.00

For convenience these Waists will be arranged on a special counter. We advise an early selection.

WOMEN'S COATS at \$7.50

Women's Coats, smart styles in wool velour, in this season's most popular colors—Now reduced to \$7.50, former prices \$15.00 to \$19.50.

WOMEN'S SUITS at \$10.00

About 20 Women's Sample Suits, in high colors—choice at \$10.00, former prices \$25.00 to \$37.50.

CHILDREN'S DRESSES at 50c

Children's Dresses for beach wear, made of excellent quality gingham, in a variety of attractive styles, sizes 2 to 14 years at 50c each, good 75c value.

CHILDREN'S DRESSES at 89c

A splendid showing of smart styles in Children's Gingham Dresses—very special value at 89c each, regular prices \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Men's Clothing



White Trousers, \$3.95

Young Men's White Serge Trousers, with fine hair line stripe, guaranteed all wool—Special price \$3.95 a pair.

Summer Suits, \$6.95

Men's and Young Men's Summer Suits, Coat and Trousers, in light and dark mixtures, in pinch-back or plain back models—Special price \$6.95.

Men's Suits at \$13.95

Men's and Young Men's Suits, in dark and light mixtures, the models are pinch-back, plain back or felted back—Special value at \$13.95.

Blue Serge Suits, \$15.50

Men's and Young Men's Blue Serge Suits, strictly all wool, hand-tailored throughout, models are two and three button effects with soft roll and belted backs—Special value at \$15.50.

Special Millinery Values for Today

For today we make a very special showing of Women's Trimmed Hats, some of the newest of this season's shapes.

Special price \$1.98

Children's Trimmed Hats, our entire stock that sold up to \$3.98 each—

Special price \$1.98

Women's Fine Dress Hats, principally Pattern Hats from our own workroom—choose now at \$5.00, former prices \$7.50 up to \$12.50.

See our splendid showing of Panama and Leghorn Hats for women and misses—all at special prices.



A LAST CALL

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY

ON AND AFTER MONDAY, JULY 2ND, NEMO PRICES WILL ADVANCE

A number of Self-Reducing Corsets, now selling at \$3.50 are going up to \$4.00. Others selling at \$5.00 are going up to \$6.00.

These increases are compelled by the scarcity and higher cost of nearly all corset materials. The same cause may compel increase in prices of other Nemo models in the near future.

If you wish to economize, secure a stock of Nemos NOW. You'll be wise to answer this last call.

BUY NEMOS NOW AND SAVE MONEY!

MADAM ENDERS IS HERE

Madam Enders, the eminent English Hair Designer of New York and London, is at our store for a few days. She will match your hair perfectly and supply you with a switch or transformation that is guaranteed to wash in soap and water without fading or losing its wear or lustre. A general invitation is extended to call and see her showing of Hair Goods.

Bathing Accessories

Kleinerts Rubber Bathing Caps and Hats at these prices:

Plain Divers Caps, in all colors—at 19c and 25c.

Tucked and Fancy Trimmed Caps, in all colors—at 25c to \$1.00.

Rubber Bathing Hats, with wide brims, in all colors, plain and trimmed—at 50c to \$1.25.

Bathing Shoes, low styles, in white or black—at 25c and 50c a pair.

Bathing Shoes, high lace styles, in black, white and colors—at 50c to \$1.39 a pair.

Metal Girdles at \$1.00

Metal Girdles, trimmed with various colored stones—extra good value at \$1.00 each.

Candy Specials

Stuffed Dates with Almond Centers—this is the last lot we will have this season—Special price a lb. 35c

Chocolate Cordial Cherries, a whole cherry in delicious cream with chocolate coating—Special price a lb. 35c

Maple Sugar Candy with Walnut Centers or tops—Special price a lb. 35c

Defiance Chocolates, in thirty flavors or one-pound boxes assorted, regular 50c value—Special price a lb. 35c

Boys' Wear

FOR FIRST COMMUNION

Boys' White Blouses, sizes 8 to 16—at 50c, 75c and 95c.

Boys' Navy Serge Golf Caps, at 50c each.

Boys' Navy Serge Norfolk Suits, regular \$6.50 value at... \$5.50

Boys' Navy Serge Norfolk Suits, sizes 8 to 14, regular \$8.00 value at..... \$6.50

Boys' Navy Serge Norfolk Suits, sizes 8 to 14, regular \$10.00 value at..... \$8.50

Women's Sweaters, \$8.50

Women's and Misses' Fibre Silk Sweaters—Special price \$8.50, value \$10.00.

Some of Our Special Hosiery Values

At 25c—Women's Gauge Weight Black Silk Hosiery.

At 25c—Women's Gauge Weight White Silk Hosiery.

At 29c—Women's Black Silk Boot Hosiery.

At 29c—Women's White Silk Boot Hosiery.

At 50c—The well-known "Inwiche" Silk Hosiery for women, in black and white.

At 59c—Women's Black Silk Hosiery, regular 75c value.

At 59c—Women's White Silk Hosiery, regular 75c value.

Silk Gloves, 59c

Women's 2-Clasp Silk Gloves, in black and white, a standard make—at 59c a pair, value 75c.

Ribbon

FOR ALL PURPOSES

Our Ribbon Department is a very attractive place these days. We show complete lines of Ribbons for every purpose—for girdles, for hair bows, for sashes, for hat bands, etc., including a complete range of widths in Black Velvet Ribbons.